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1. Existing Commo Facilities:

At the present time [redacted] consists of a receiving station and a temporary transmitting site located within the limits of [redacted]. The receiving station was built to our specifications and is sited so as to provide adequate facilities for present and future commitments. At the time of construction of the receiver station it was planned to build a transmitting station. Due to lack of operating personnel, immediate operational requirements, together with the availability of [redacted] facilities as a parasitic transmitter site, no action was taken to construct the transmitting station. [redacted] facilities become less available and operational requirements increased until [redacted] found itself running its transmitters at the receiving station. As operations continued to increase, [redacted] had been forced to set up its own temporary ~~xxx~~ transmitting station in a borrowed [redacted] building. This temporary site is wholly inadequate in that we do not control the building, and adequate antenna space is not available. Further, should [redacted] deem it vital to its operations, it could withdraw the use of its building leaving us wholly unprotected.

3. Scope of Proposed T-site:

The transmitter station which is proposed will provide CIA with a complete Class B (enlarged) radio station capable of simultaneously operating on 14 channels. This station will be completely self-sufficient in that it has billets for the operating personnel, emergency power, and full maintenance facilities. Sufficient land (147 acres) has already been requisitioned from

[redacted] to permit antenna construction for coverage of all operations.

4. Contractual Arrangements:

Due to the desire to expedite the construction of the transmitter site the project was set up for handling by a [redacted] construction firm. To preserve the security of the sponsoring agency all awarding of contracts, etc., will be handled by the post engineer of the [redacted] In view of the present organization of the Army [redacted] this is in keeping with army practice. Since the transfer of funds will take place at a low level in the Army engineer hierarchy, the project will not have to be approved by Theater Engineer, G-3, TCSO, etc.

5. Relation to OSO Plans:

OSO offices in Europe are constantly making communication demands on [redacted] and these demands are increasing.

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As the sealing of Eastern Europe borders progresses, then the requests for radio as a means of communications, increase. In the past it was possible to handle these requests with existing facilities, but of late this has become increasingly difficult from a scheduling viewpoint. Further, due to the present lack of antenna facility space, it will be imperative that existing facilities be augmented.

6. Relation to OPC Plans:

At this writing OPC has made no ^{specific} demands upon

25X1A ^{however} ~~has~~ have any plans to use its facilities been disclosed.

Present OPC operations are serviced by Commo through the use of land line teletype circuits. It is not improbable to assume, however, that this condition will remain unchanged. ^{CDL Proj}

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7. Time Factor:

25X1A It is desired that work begin as soon as possible on the transmitting site so as to complete all excavation and sub surface masonry work prior to the onset of freezing weather. If construction is begun prior to the advent of freezing weather, it will be possible to have the station available by 1 June 1950. If construction is held off until Spring, then this station will not be available before September 1950.

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